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Sir:

This is Applicants third request for the status of the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.181(a). Please advise us in writing as to the status of the above-noted application.

Applicants filed a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.181(a) on May 10, 2001, and have not yet received a decision on the Petition. Applicants received a telephone call from Jim Alexander (P/OPPD; (703)305-8387) indicating that the official USPTO file was lost. Applicants believe that this may be hindering the decision on the Petition, so Applicants filed a copy of Applicants' file history on September 26, 2003. However, Applicants still have not yet received any type of action in this case.

Should anything further be required, Applicants request that the undersigned be contacted at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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